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## DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

FOR CONGRESS,  
E. S. CANDLER, JR.  
OF ALCON.

FOR MAYOR,  
J. T. Gunter.

FOR COUNCILMEN,  
B. A. Weaver,  
J. H. Stevens,  
J. L. Walker,  
E. C. Chapman,  
D. S. McClanahan,  
W. L. Gardner.

FOR SCHOOL DIRECTORS,  
W. S. Newby,  
Wm. Kilpatrick,  
W. C. Gunter,  
R. S. Curry.

The first telegraph wire to the Klondike has been completed. It covers a distance of 3,000 miles from Tacoma, Washington.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR JAS. T. HARRISON received a letter Monday morning from Mr. J. J. Coman, private secretary to Governor Longino, stating that the governor would be out of the state for ten days, and asked that he either come down or hold himself in readiness to come in case his services were needed. Governor Harrison, being a man who believes in a strict compliance with his obligations, thought it his duty to go down to Jackson and attend the duties devolving upon him, and in accordance with that idea he left Monday afternoon.

### OYSTER COMMISSION APPOINTED.

Governor Longino has appointed the following to serve as oyster commissioners, as provided in the Bowers bill, passed at the last session of the legislature: O. T. Cassibry, for a term of one year, Gulfport, Miss.; J. D. Minor, for a term of two years, Ocean Springs, Miss.; Frank J. Ladner, for a term of three years, Bay St. Louis, Miss.; Ferdinand Patenotte, for a term of four years, Pass Christian, Miss.; J. A. Hatfield, for a term of five years, Biloxi, Miss.

It will be observed that the appointees come from the largest cities on the coast.

### BUSH WILL HANG.

A dispatch from Macon dated Aug. 30th, says: The trial of Gus Bush, colored, for the killing of Ernest Dismukes at Brooksville last fall, resulted in the conviction of Gus Bush of murder in the first degree, which means the death penalty. This is the first conviction of murder in the first degree in Noxubee county for more than fifteen years. Much interest was felt in the trial in both this and Lowndes county, and many people from a distance attended the trial.

We reproduce below an article taken from the Carroll County Pioneer, of August 8, published at Sanbornville, New Hampshire, which will be of interest to the readers of The Commercial.

"Last week while in Brandon, Miss., the writer made the acquaintance of Senator McLaurin, who had just returned from Washington for his vacation. Brandon is an old time country town, a mile from the Alabama and Vicksburg railway, and was before the war a place of considerable importance, and is yet, being the shire town of the county. An old hotel, containing fifty-one rooms, built in 1837, is still standing on the angle of the square. Here used to congregate all the celebrities of those times. Jeff Davis and S. S. Prentiss have often stopped there, and many other prominent lawyers of the south. At that time there was a bar in the lower part of the house, and tradition says when Prentiss was there many old revelries were held. Today Brandon is a dry town, and anyone wishing anything stronger than soda pop will have to bring it with him, or know some friend who keeps a private bottle, and when one is found, it is generally alluded to as "cutting a pumpkin," and the thirsty traveler is

cordially invited to "come across."

"Senator McLaurin is a fine specimen of the old time southern gentleman, brought up to date, and the writer does not wonder at his popularity with his people, as he appears to know every man, woman and child, black or white, and has a kindly word for all. Like most of the legal gentlemen of the south, he has a fund of anecdotes at his command, and when on the street always has a little crowd around him listening to his conversation. He retains the peculiar soft tones of voice of the southerner that is heard in no other section of the country, and is impossible of imitation. Senator McLaurin has maintained his position in the senate with marked ability, and his state is naturally very proud of him. He has three or four brothers in Brandon, and they all are very genial gentlemen and held in great esteem by their townsmen, as well as several other brothers settled in different parts of the state."—Brandon News.

THOMAS DIXON, JR., the author of the now famous novel, "The Leopard's Spots," which treats exhaustively of the race problem, should have dedicated his book to Theodore Roosevelt and Booker T. Washington.

### AN INTERESTING FIND.

The New Orleans Picayune's Mississippi department contains the following, which will doubtless interest both young and old throughout the state:

Yesterday afternoon Sergeant Dillingham, who is superintending the working of a large force of convicts in grading the new capitol grounds, made an interesting discovery. He dug into the corner-stone of the original penitentiary building, and found a jar in which were a number of relics of the past. Among the things in the jar was a copy of the True Witness, a paper published at New Orleans, and a copy of the Flag of the Union, a paper published in this city. W. P. McDonnell & Co. being the proprietors. The Flag of the Union bore the date of Dec. 23, 1853, and on its first page contained the message delivered by President Buchanan to congress on Dec. 8. It also contained a short news notice made up from St. Louis papers of the fight between Brigham Young and the United States soldiers. Young is quoted as saying he would harness the United States soldiers as long as possible, and then burn Salt Lake City and flee to the mountains. It is stated that a man had just returned from Salt Lake to St. Louis, making the journey in forty days. There were some advertisements in the paper, but not many, and none of them were displayed. The only firm then in existence now was that of A. Virden & Co., the head of the present firm being the son of the head of the firm which was advertising then. The only item of local interest found in the paper was a short paragraph, stating that the city election would take place on the first Monday in January. The campaign did not seem to be a very warm one, as there were no announcements in the paper. Among the other things found was a 25-cent and a 12 1/2-cent paper bill issued by the Bank of the City of Grand Gulf, a \$2 bill issued by the Bank of Madisonville, Madison county, and a \$5 bill issued by the Alabama and Vicksburg Railroad. Only one of the bills bore any date, and that was 1828. A pamphlet history of the penitentiary was also found, together with an address delivered by Elder Casket, the president of a female school in the city. These relics will be turned over to the department of history and archives.

THE NEW YORK LIFE

Has paid in Columbus the following estates:

G. W. Cox	\$ 5,688.75
Morris Dreese	1,000.00
William Edgar Boyd	1,000.00
James E. Lawrence	1,500.00
Abe Strauss	19,800.00
M. P. McWilliams	1,500.00
J. M. Billups	15,430.00
Total	\$45,818.75

Was not insurance a good thing in these instances? Call to see me.

E. N. BEARD.

97-11 Office at Beard's Store.

Dr. B. A. Duncan spent Sunday in West Point, visiting relatives.

Hon. A. A. Kincannon has returned from a business visit to Memphis.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Evans, of the prairie, spent Monday in the city with relatives.

## PROCEEDINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

### MONDAY'S SESSION.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors began at the courthouse on Monday, September 1st, the following being present: Hon. T. B. Franklin, president; S. W. Caldwell, A. G. Easley, R. P. Hairston and C. H. Jordan, associate members. After the minutes of the last meeting had been read and approved, the following proceedings were had:

Ordered, that hereafter the manager of the county farm be, and he is hereby prohibited from receiving any money for fines and costs for prisoners in his custody.

The board proceeded to open bids for the building of a bridge over Jim Creek on Macon road, when it was found that A. B. Myrick was the lowest and best bidder at and for the sum of \$1-19 1/2 per foot. It is therefore ordered that the building of said bridge be awarded to him at and for said sum.

S. M. Nash, county superintendent of education, submitted his monthly report, showing that he had issued pay certificates amount to \$95.00, and had visited Crawford, Bent Oak, Prairie Hill and Malvern schools.

Ordered that the following allowances be made out of the county fund: H. M. Hairston, building bridge, \$50.00; J. W. Mullins, timber for roads, \$12.00; B. F. Symons, lumber for roads, \$10.80.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the board that G. A. Duncan is doubly assessed on the land roll in e. half n.w. quarter and n. w. quarter section, township 16, range 16 west, it is ordered that he be relieved from payment of taxes on one of said assessments for 1901 at valuation of \$230.00, and that the tax collector be allowed credit for same in his settlement with the auditor.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the board that D. P. Davis is assessed on land roll with lots 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, square 8, Grigsby and Hopkins' survey, and that since said assessment said lots have become the property of the Mobile and Ohio railroad, and assessed to them for 1901 by the Railroad Commission, and therefore doubly assessed, it is ordered that the tax collector be allowed credit for said assessment on the land roll for 1901 in his settlement with the state and county auditors.

The board proceeded to open bids for the building of a bridge over White slough on Macon road, when it was found that Weaver & Co. were the lowest and best bidders at and for the sum of \$1.89 per foot. It is therefore ordered that they be awarded the contract for building said bridge at and for said sum, on their entering into bond for double the cost of the bridge, with approved security.

### TUESDAY'S SESSION.

The board met at nine o'clock Tuesday morning, all members being present as on the preceding day.

Supervisor Jordan reported to the board Sarah Hairston, a poor orphan child with no one to care for her, and likely to become a charge of the county, and recommended that she be bound and apprenticed to Mary Jane Waldness until she is 18 years of age, or until May 8, 1918. It is therefore ordered that she be bound and apprenticed to Mary Jane Waldness until May 8, 1918.

On motion, it is ordered that the contract for the building of a bridge over White slough on Macon road entered into on yesterday and ordered in yesterday's minutes with Weaver & Co., be and the same is hereby rescinded, and it is further ordered that C. H. Jordan be and he is hereby authorized to lay tiling in same.


### WEDNESDAY'S SESSION.

Pursuant to adjournment the Board of Supervisors met at nine o'clock Wednesday morning, all members being present, when the following proceedings were had:

T. B. Franklin, agent for the board, reported that he had collected and paid in to the county treasury the following amounts from the county farm: Fines and costs collected, \$430.10; proceeds of sale of cotton, etc., \$182.76.

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It appearing to the satisfaction of the board that the assessment of the estate of T. C. Belsher on land roll for 1902, in part lots 3 and 4, square 6, north of Main street, in the city of Columbus, is excessive, it is ordered that said assessment be reduced from \$3,150 to \$1,650, and that the clerk certify this order according to law.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the board that the valuation of the following property, to-wit: three lots in south 1/2 and one lot in north 1/2 of square 96, north of Main street, in the city of Columbus, assessed to J. M. Barrow, is excessive, it is ordered that the same be reduced from \$400.00 to \$200.00, and the clerk certify the same according to law.

This day came on to be heard the petition of V. B. Wheeler, John Dodson et al, asking for a change in old road at Thompson's, leaving old road to the left, following nearest route to the branch, intersecting old road, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the board that said change is best, it is ordered that said petition be granted and that said road be changed.

The board proceeded to open bids for the building of a bridge over Brick Church slough on Macon road, when it was found that D. S. McClanahan was the lowest and best bidder. It is therefore ordered that contract for the building of said bridge be awarded to him at and for \$2.24 per foot for 4 spans 18 feet long, on his entering into bond in the sum of \$322.56, conditional to keep the bridge in place and repair for 5 years.

The board proceeded to open bids for the raising of iron bridge on Tuscaloosa road, when it was found that D. S. McClanahan was the lowest and best bidder. It is therefore ordered that the contract for raising said bridge 3 feet at and for the sum of \$700.00 be awarded to him, upon his entering into bond in the sum of \$2,500.00 for the safety of bridge while being raised.

Ordered that the following allowances be made out of the county fund:

D. A. Hargrove, building bridge	\$67.50
Peter Hudson, ferryman Nashville	10.00
Susan Hicks, paper self	4.00
Miss Curtis, " "	2.50
Mrs. Stewart, " "	4.00
Mrs. Smith, " "	4.00
Miss Dowdle, " "	2.50
Miss Huff, " "	2.50
C. R. Shackelford, keeping bridge	15.50
Bill Beard, ferryman Waverly	10.00
Walker, Evans & Cogswell Co., supplies chancery clerk	21.65
A. J. Bassinger, sand Picknville rd	25.00
J. T. Armstrong, janitor hire, carrying prisoners, &c	62.10
J. T. Armstrong, turnkey fees and feeding prisoners	67.70
E. S. Moore, clerk's cost lunacy M. Moore and M. Chandler	4.40
Sykes & O'Neill, county attorneys salary, 3 months	25.00
J. M. Salter, mg'r county farm	50.00

T. A. Perkins, guard county farm	25.00
Bill Jackson, work " "	4.00
Dr. M. S. Chandler, visits and med county farm	16.50
Mrs. T. A. Perkins, sewing co farm	5.75
Bennett & Evans, lumber	20.00
Minga & Parker, blacksmithing	3.50
A. Schuch, mds county farm	9.71
Rosenzweig Bros, mds co farm	3.00
Wm. Winston, " "	4.93
Jos. Donohue, " "	29.14
Morgan, Walker Co, " "	62.06
Curry, Lipscomb & Caine, mds county farm	4.10
Dispatch, printing bill heads, &c	8.25
Commercial, prt'g proceedings, &c	7.50
Curry, Lipscomb & Caine, med jail	1.00
Dorsey Printing Co., furniture court room	32.65
Banks Hdw Co., hand cuffs shift	3.50
" " nails and tools	21.81
Buck Loeck, burying pauper Mrs. A. M. Jobe, treas. U. C. assistance pauper	3.00
Leopold Loeck, pauper coffins	8.00
R. L. Terry, juror inquest M. Moore	1.00
W. H. Hearon, " "	1.00
W. E. Pope, " "	1.00
W. T. Lawrence, " "	1.00
D. R. McClary, " "	1.00
A. D. Whitfield, " "	1.00
J. E. Harris, J. P. costs	2.10
J. G. Wood, constable costs	3.40
L. A. Halbert, J. P. costs	1.50
L. A. Halbert, " "	9.75
T. L. H. Cook, ex-officio J. P. costs 7 cases	41.05
F. W. Flood, J. P. costs 2 cases	1.00
Jno. Brasher, constable costs	7.00
E. D. Ervin, J. P. costs 1 case	2.40
L. McLemore, const'ble cost 1 case	4.10
Mrs. M. Drees, wit Tennyson case	1.00
Sallie Hawkins, wit case D. Burnett	2.00
Ennice Chappell, " "	2.00
J. P. Brownlee, " "	2.00
C. L. Lincoln, J. P. costs 2 cases	5.00
H. M. Lanier, const "	6.75
Blanche Molan, witness 2 cases	2.00
E. G. Hardy, building bridge, etc	78.00
J. C. Neilson, lumber roads	5.25
Gaston & Vaughan, lumber roads	29.92
W. S. Nickles, repairs bridge	14.01
P. J. Usery, lumber for roads	14.75
B. F. Symons, " "	2.00
Harvey & Lawrence, " "	3.74
N. D. Guerry, bid'g bridge, lumber	34.25
Duncan & Son, lumber for roads	7.00
J. W. Vaughan, nails	.50
F. W. Morris, nails	.60
Albert Anthony, repairs bridge	2.00
Harris-Peguere Hdw Co., nails and tools	16.85
D. A. Burgin, nails and tools	2.40
T. J. Walters, " "	.40
J. E. Cox, repairs Magowah bridge	25.00
Carey H. Cocke, timber for road	68.20
R. E. Cheatham, lumber	9.34
E. S. Moore, clerk per diem B. S.	9.00
J. T. Armstrong, shift	6.00

And the following out of the school fund:

Commercial, pub school notice	3.35
Dispatch, " "	3.35
S. M. Nash, salary and postage	47.91

Ordered by the board that the levy for county for year 1902 be, and the same is hereby fixed as follows:

For county taxes, eighty-three and one-third per cent on amount of state tax.

For school tax, Columbus school district, twenty-five per cent. on state tax on all property in township 18, range 18, west, including the city of Columbus.

For Macon and Tuscaloosa roads taxing districts, thirty-three and one-third per cent. on state tax on all property in said districts.

For Robinson road taxing dis-

trict, sixteen and two-thirds per cent. on state tax on all property in said district.

For Military road taxing district, fifty per cent. on state tax on all property in said district.

Ordered that the board stand adjourned.

T. B. FRANKLIN,  
E. S. MOORE, President.  
Clerk.

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No. 4, Locomotive (daily)	4:25 p. m.
No. 23, Locomotive (daily)	10:25 a. m.
No. 12, Locomotive (week days)	7:25 p. m.
No. 36, Locomotive (week days)	7:49 a. m.
No. 3, Locomotive (daily)	11:58 a. m.
No. 25, Locomotive (daily)	9:05 p. m.
No. 16, Locomotive (week days)	5:25 p. m.
No. 11, Locomotive (week days)	10:25 a. m.

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### THE COUNTY TAX LEVY.

The Board of Supervisors at their meeting last week fixed the tax levy for the current year at six mills for state purposes, five mills for county purposes, and in the Columbus school district an additional tax of one and one half mills for school purposes, making the total levy for the Columbus school district twelve and one half mills, and for the county at large, with the exception of the Macon, Robertson, Tuscaloosa and Military roads taxing districts, where the people pay a special tax for road purposes, eleven mills. The levy is exactly the same as that of last year, with the exception of the Macon road taxing district, where a reduction of one mill occurs.

When it is taken into consideration that during the past year a court house has been erected, and that not only the interest on the bonds, amounting to nine hundred dollars, has been met, but that the sum of three thousand dollars has been paid on the principal, it will be realized that the supervisors have handled the county funds very carefully, and have clearly demonstrated the fact that they possess a great deal of business sagacity and financial acumen, and the people are to be congratulated upon the fact that the county's interests are in such competent hands.

The levy for the current year provides for the payment of the interest on the bonds and for an additional payment of three thousand dollars on the principal, and the members of the board intend to make good the promise made by them to the people that the new court house would be built and paid for without any increase in the tax levy.

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